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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION
(37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d))

To: BOX CPA
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

1. IDENTIFICATION OF PRIOR APPLICATION

This is a request for a continued prosecution application, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), of:

(MUST BE A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED ON OR AFTER JUNE 8, 1995)

PRIOR APPLICATION: 09/171.432

FILING DATE: January 11, 1999

TITLE: ANTIGENICALLY REACTIVE REGIONS OF THE HEPATITIS A VIRUS POLYPROTEIN

EXAMINER: BRENDA G. BRUMBACK

ART UNIT: 1642

APPLICANT(S): HOWARD A. FIELDS AND YURY E. KHUDYAKOV

This application for a continued prosecution application is made before the earliest of: (A) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under § 1.313(b)(5) is granted in the prior application); (B) abandonment; or (C) termination of proceedings in the prior application.

2. THIS APPLICATION DISCLOSES AND CLAIMS ONLY SUBJECT MATTER DISCLOSED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION.
(MAY NOT BE A CONTINUATION-IN PART APPLICATION)

3A. [X] This application names as inventors the same inventors named in the prior application.

--OR--

3B. [] This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application. It is hereby requested that the names of the following person(s), named as inventors in the prior application but who are not inventors of the invention being claimed in this continued prosecution application, be deleted:

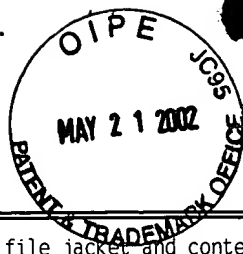
(MAY NOT NAME ADDITIONAL INVENTORS NOT NAMED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION)

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4. Please use the file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings, and oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute the new application, and assign the continued prosecution application the application number of the prior application for identification purposes.

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. §122 is hereby waived to the extent required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(6).

This request for a continued prosecution is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. § 120 to every application assigned the above identified application number. 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(7).

5. The filing of this continued prosecution application is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of this request.

If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension of time necessary in the prior application for maintaining copendency between the prior application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, Applicant hereby petitions for such an extension in the prior application.

6A. ☒ Enter the amendment previously filed on February 20, 2002 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, but unentered in the prior application.

--OR--

6B. ☐ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. Amendment is to be made to the prior application as it existed prior to the filing of this continued prosecution application.

7. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS	9 - 20 =		x \$18.00	\$
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 - 3 =	1	x \$84.00	\$84.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (IF APPLICABLE) =			+ \$280.00	\$
	BASIC FEE =				\$740.00
	TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$824.00
	REDUCTION BY ½ FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY (NOTE 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				\$
	TOTAL FEE =				\$824.00

8. ☒ A Form PTO-2038 authorizing a credit card payment in the amount of \$824.00 is enclosed.

9. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

10. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.



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11. [X] Priority of U.S. Utility Application Serial No. 09/171,432 filed on January 11, 1999, which claims priority to International Application Serial No. PCT/US97/06891, filed on April 18, 1997, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/015,644, filed on April 19, 1996, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 1.19.

12. [X] The prior application is assigned of record to: The Government of the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

13. [] -- Also enclosed please find: _____

14. [X] The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:



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15. Address all future communications to:



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- [] inventor(s)
[] assignee of complete interest
[X] attorney or agent of record
[] filed under §1.34(a)

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I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Prosecution Application is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Invoice No. EL924205391US in an envelope addressed to: BOX CPA, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 21st day of May, 2002.

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